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Docket No. 1083.1005-D/MDS

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Masaki WATANABE et al.

Divisional Application of

U.S. Serial No.: 08/385,441

Examiner: Unassigned

Filed: December 3, 1997

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SYNTHESIZING IMAGES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1,      line 14, after "by" insert --a--; *✓*  
                line 18, after "indispensable" insert --,--;  
                line 20, after "in" insert --a--;  
                line 21, after "using" insert --a--;  
                line 22, after "as" insert --a-- and after "surface," insert --a--.

Page 2,      line 5, after "natural" insert --, a--; *✓*  
                line 8, after "by" insert --the--.